

## OPINION 1858

### *Nectria* Gray, 1840 (Echinodermata, Asteroidea): *Nectria ocellata* Perrier, 1875 designated as the type species

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#### Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary powers all previous fixations of type species for the nominal genus *Nectria* Gray, 1840 are hereby set aside and *Nectria ocellata* Perrier, 1875 is designated as the type species.
- (2) The name *Nectria* Gray, 1840 (gender: feminine), type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above *Nectria ocellata* Perrier, 1875, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *ocellata* Perrier, 1875, as published in the binomen *Nectria ocellata* (specific name of the type species of *Nectria* Gray, 1840) and as defined by the lectotype (specimen no. 1958.7.30.20 in the Natural History Museum, London) designated by Zeidler & Rowe (1986), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

#### History of Case 2951

An application for the designation of *Nectria ocellata* Perrier, 1875 as the type species of *Nectria* Gray, 1840 was received from Dr Wolfgang Zeidler (*South Australian Museum, Adelaide, Australia*) on 12 September 1994. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 52: 164–165 (June 1995). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

#### Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1996 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 52: 165. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1996 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 20: Bayer, Bock, Cocks, Corliss, Hahn, Heppell, Kabata, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Savage, Schuster, Starobogatov, Štys, Trjapitzin

Negative votes — 1: Holthuis.

Bouchet and Dupuis abstained.

No vote was received from Halvorsen.

Cogger and Ride were on leave of absence.

#### Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*Nectria* Gray, 1840, *Annals and Magazine of Natural History*, (1)6(37): 287.

*ocellata*, *Nectria*, Perrier, 1875, *Révision de la collection de stellerides du Muséum d'Histoire naturelle de Paris*, p. 188.

The following is the reference for the designation of the lectotype of *Nectria ocellata* Perrier, 1875:

Zeidler, W. & Rowe, F.W.E. 1986. *Records of the South Australian Museum*, 19(9): 120.